AMENDMENT(S) TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please delete the title of the invention and replace it with the following:

<u>EFFECT PIGMENTS HAVING AN ALUMINUM OR ALUMINUM ALLOY CORE,</u>

PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF AND USE THEREOF

Please insert a paragraph beginning at page 1, after the title of the invention:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a 35 U.S.C. §371 National Phase conversion of PCT/EP2004/013173 filed November 19, 2004, which claims priority of German Application No. 103 54 763.0 filed November 21, 2003. The PCT application was published in the German language.

On page 1, at line 5, before the paragraph beginning with, "The present invention relates to effect pigments having an...", please insert:

Field of the Invention

On page 1, between lines 12-14, before the paragraph beginning with, "Effect pigments produce an optical impression which depends...", please insert:

Background of the Invention

On page 5, between lines 11-13, before the paragraph beginning with, "It is an object of the present invention to provide colored and...", please insert:

Summary of the Invention

On page 5, between lines 30-32, before the paragraph beginning with, "According to a preferred embodiment, the aluminum pigments employed...", please insert:

Detailed Description of Certain Preferred Embodiments of the Invention

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On page 16, please delete "The Figures" located on line 28, before the paragraph beginning with, "Fig. 1 shows an SEM image of a transversely ground section..", and please replace with:

Brief Description of the Figures

On page 17, between lines 19-20, before the heading "Examples 1-5 and 12-14 according to the invention:", please insert:

Examples

The following Examples are provided only for the purpose of illustrating the invention. They are not to be construed as limiting the invention in any manner.

On page 31, please insert before the first claim:

What is claimed is:

On page 37, please delete the title "Summary", and replace with the title of the invention:

EFFECT PIGMENTS HAVING AN ALUMINUM OR ALUMINUM ALLOY CORE, PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF AND USE THEREOF

On page 37, before the paragraph beginning with, "The invention relates to effect pigments having an aluminum core....", please insert:

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Abstract of the Disclosure